

Ohio Revised Code

Section 3324.03 School districts to identify gifted students.

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The board of education of each school district shall identify gifted students in grades kindergarten through twelve as follows:

- (A) A student shall be identified as exhibiting "superior cognitive ability" if the student did either of the following within the preceding twenty-four months:
- (1) Scored two standard deviations above the mean, minus the standard error of measurement, on an approved individual standardized intelligence test administered by a licensed school psychologist or licensed psychologist;
- (2) Accomplished any one of the following:
- (a) Scored at least two standard deviations above the mean, minus the standard error of measurement, on an approved standardized group intelligence test;
- (b) Performed at or above the ninety-fifth percentile on an approved individual or group standardized basic or composite battery of a nationally normed achievement test;
- (c) Attained an approved score on one or more above-grade level standardized, nationally normed approved tests.
- (B) A student shall be identified as exhibiting "specific academic ability" superior to that of children of similar age in a specific academic ability field if within the preceding twenty-four months the student performs at or above the ninety-fifth percentile at the national level on an approved individual or group standardized achievement test of specific academic ability in that field. A student may be identified as gifted in more than one specific academic ability field.
- (C) A student shall be identified as exhibiting "creative thinking ability" superior to children of a



similar age, if within the previous twenty-four months, the student scored one standard deviation above the mean, minus the standard error of measurement, on an approved individual or group intelligence test and also did either of the following:

- (1) Attained a sufficient score, as established by the department of education and workforce, on an approved individual or group test of creative ability;
- (2) Exhibited sufficient performance, as established by the department, on an approved checklist of creative behaviors.
- (D) A student shall be identified as exhibiting "visual or performing arts ability" superior to that of children of similar age if the student has done both of the following:
- (1) Demonstrated through a display of work, an audition, or other performance or exhibition, superior ability in a visual or performing arts area;
- (2) Exhibited sufficient performance, as established by the department, on an approved checklist of behaviors related to a specific arts area.